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FOR the school children—Lily Bell, by special request, next Wednesday, May 19th, A.O.U.W. Hall at 8 o'clock; children 10c., adults 25c. my16

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The C.P.N. Co. will despatch a steamer from Victoria and Vancouver for Skeena River on 1st June, and will guarantee to have a steamer leaving the Skeena River on July 25th, due at Vancouver or Fraser River by August 1st, thus enabling fishermen to fish on both rivers this season.
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TRYING TO STOP HIM.

Powers Are Having Trouble in Keeping the Turks From Fighting.

Proposals for Peace Will Be Discussed by Ambassadors and Sultan.

ATHENS, May 19.—M. Ralli, the premier, on behalf of the government, has sent the Crown Prince the conditions of the armistice concluded at Arta upon the basis of a mutual occupation of the ante bellum positions, adding: "Impart these conditions to the commanding officers of the Turkish forces, declare from this moment you suspend hostilities and will only resume them in the event of an attack, disclaim all responsibility for any violation of the amistice and ask the Turkish commanders to suspend all hostilities."

An official bulletin, just issued, says: "The Turks attacked the army of the Crown Prince the moment it reached the line of the Othris range. The fourth regiment of infantry was dislodged from Aidinintza, north-west of Lamia, and the inhabintants are precipitately evacuating Lamia. The Eastern squadron has been ordered to proceed to Stylis, on the north coast of the Gulf of Lamia, and there to land Col. Vassos and troops. General Smolenski has been appointed general of brigade commanding the first division."

PARIS, May 19.—It was semi-officially announced this evening that the ambassadors of the powers at Constantinople are drafting counter proposals to the reply received to their last note to the Turkish government. These counter proposals will serve as a basis for the preliminaries of peace. The matter will be discussed and settled by the powers and the Turkish government.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The London correspondent of the Sun to-day says of the Greco-Turkish war: "The war is at an end, and the shame, not of Greece, but of Christian Europe is complete. Two thousand Greeks at Domokos, according to the meagre accounts received here, were slaughtered by Edhem Pasha's troops after the powers had forbidden their opponents to engage in further hostilities pledged that they would restrain the Turkish forces. Even the bloody record in Armenia does not match this crowning disgrace and defiance flung in the face of united Europe by the creature it maintains on his gory throne at Constantinople, and with splendid insolence having accomplished his entire purpose, the Sultan sent a message to the representatives of the powers to-day saying that as an earnest wish of his amiability and of accommodation, he would abstain from further hostilities pending negotiations for peace. The history of mankind verily has nothing to compare with this sublime triumph of evil over the forces of righteousness, which Europe assumes itself to be." The Sultan openly declared that he would not check his army until Domokos, on the old frontier, was in his hands. All Thesaly is now his beyond dispute and he intends to retain it. Possession is much more than nine points of law in the diplomacy of Europe. Accordingly all expressions of public opinion during the past few days have been unanimously against him. If mere words would drive him out he would have to go, but few persons believe that these will be of any avail. Nothing but force remains, and Europe is so mortally afraid of her own weapons that she will submit to almost any indignity rather than to use them. Such, at least, is the sentiment that controls Great Britain, which is the strongest of all the powers."

SULTAN IS HAPPY.

He Intends to Reward Those Who Distinguished Themselves at Domokos.

CONSTANTINOPLE, May 19.—The Sultan has telegraphed his congratulations to Edhem Pasha and the Turkish troops, and asked him for a list of those who distinguished themselves in the advance to Domokos in order that he may reward them. Edhem Pasha wires that the Turkish camp has been transferred to Domokos, where he has hoisted the Ottoman flag. Ahmid Pasha telegraphs that after the defeat at Previssa the Greeks left two hundred corpses on the field, although they took many away by sea. The Austrian mail steamer Minerva, bound from Constantinople to Vola, has been captured by a Greek vessel and towed to Orie on the north shore of Chalcis.

C.P.R. CHANGES.

A New Superintendent Appointed to the Vancouver Section.

WINNIPEG, May 19.—(Special)—New appointments for the Pacific section of the Western division of the C.P.R. are announced to-night. E. J. Bushnay, formerly chief engineer on the Mountain section, is made superintendent of the Selkirk section, and H. A. Heesley, formerly assistant to General Superintendent Abbott, is made superintendent of the Vancouver section, both being under General Superintendent Marpole.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Latest Quotations on the Market Yesterday.

NEW YORK, May 19.—Closing quotations: A. T., 70¼; A., 10⅜; A., pfd., 19⅝; B. & O., 18; C. & O., 16; C. B. & Q., 74¼; C. G., 79⅞; C. & N. W., 104⅝; R. I., 63½; C. M. & St. P., 74; S. R., 7⅞; S. R., pfd., 26; U. P., 6¾; W. U., 77¾; C. C., 168⅜; C. C., bond 99¾; C. P. in London, 55⅛.

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UNITED STATES CONSULS

Afraid of Making Their Reports Public For Fear They Should Be Massacred.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Another stirring debate on Cuba occurred in the senate to-day. It was of the give-an-take order, with sharp parliamentary fencing. The main speeches were made by Senators Foraker, of Ohio, and Hoar, Massachusetts. It was the first speech of any length made by Foraker since he entered the senate, and in addition to this, the Ohioan senator who is one of the Cuban sub-committee of the committee on foreign relations, showed favor of reference on the resolution to the committee, but of the general question declared his purpose of supporting the resolution recognizing Cuban belligerency when it should be reported by the committee. Mr. Canon was bitter in his denunciation of Spanish atrocities, characterizing the Captain-General of Cuba as "that mad dog Weyler." It was developed in the course of colloquy that the state department had withheld the names of United States consuls reporting the serious condition of affairs in Cuba, fearing it might lead to their massacre. M. Vest declared this precedent a serious phase of the subject, as it was time to protect officials with warships if their personal safety was threatened for making reports to their government. No action on the resolution was taken, but Mr. Morgan said he hoped to secure a vote to-morrow.

THE CITY HAS LOST.

The Gordon Case Results in Ten Thousand Dollars Damages Against Victoria.

The Tramway Company, However, Win Their Case With Costs Against Plaintiff.

VANCOUVER, May 19.—(Special)—In the Point Ellice bridge case to-day the Chief Justice addressed the jury for three-quarters of an hour. Reviewing all the evidence already published, he asked the jury to decide the following questions:

What was the immediate cause of the accident?

Was the corporation blameable for such cause and how?

Was the accident due to the act or neglection on the part of the Railway Co.? If so, describe such act or neglection.

The jury's answer was: "The breaking of the hanger was the immediate cause of the accident. The corporation of Victoria was blameable for the cause. Having been made aware of the bad condition of the bridge, they made repairs which were not sufficiently well done to strengthen the structure. In the jury's opinion it was the duty of the city of Victoria to ascertain the carrying capacity of the bridge before allowing such heavy cars to pass over it."

The jury gave a verdict of $10,000 against the city of Victoria and costs. Of the damages $7,000 go to the widow, Mrs. Gordon, $1,000 to the eldest child, $1,500 to the youngest child, and $500 to the stepson.

In so far as the tramway company were concerned the jury found that the car was not overloaded, and found against the plaintiff and in favor of the tramway with costs. The case will go to appeal.

MONETARY CONFERENCE.

They Cannot Do Without Great Britain if France is to Join.

PARIS, May 19.—The United States bimetalic commission, consisting of Senator Edward Wolcott, of Colorado, ex-Vice-President Stevenson and Gen. Charles Paine, of Massachusetts, has arrived here. According to the French premier, M. Meline, there is not the remotest likelihood of France taking the initiative in calling a monetary conference until Great Britain agrees to take part in such a conference if it is called.

BEET-ROOT SUGAR.

New York State Will Give a Bonus to Manufacturers In the State.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 19.—Governor Black to-day signed the bill that provides for a yearly bonus of $25,000 to be paid out to beet sugar manufacturers at a rate not exceeding one cent. a pound of 90 per cent. crystallized sugar, prepared from beets grown within New York state and for which the growers received not less than $5 per ton, provided the sugar manufacturer is not the grower. The matter of examination and determination is placed in the hands of the state superintendent of agriculture.

Extra fine black sateen; also fine flannelette shirts, regular price $1; only 50c. At the workingmen's store, 109 and 111 government street. x

CROW'S NEST RAILWAY

Canadian Pacific Magnates in Ottawa Trying to Makes Terms With Blair.

Uproarious Debate Over the Proposal to Increase Rideau Hall Allowance.

OTTAWA, May 19. — (Special) — Col. Prior elicited an important declaration from Hon. Mr. Davies to-day apropos of the resolution passed by the British Columbian legislature protesting against any change in the Behring sea regulations. The minister said the regulations adopted at Paris in 1893 were to hold good for five years and the Canadian government had recently dispatched to the home authorities stating that in their opinion it was not advisable to change until the five years were up.

Nearly the entire sitting was taken up in discussion on the vote on Government House, the Conservatives protesting against the proposition of the government to increase the appropriation.

McInerney moved to reduce it after an uproarious discussion, in which the Patrons were heartily scored. The amendment was defeated by 100 to 50. Seven Couservatives, Prior, Costigan, McLean, Clark, Osler, Pope and Rosmond voted with the government.

Van Horne and Shaughnessy were here to-day endeavoring to come to terms with the government regarding the building of the Crow's Nest Pass line.

It is stated that the government have decided to issue a royal commission to investigate railway grievances.

The government is in communication, it is stated, with the Imperial authorities as to whether a proviso should be attached to the tariff bill reserving the preference clause awaiting the pleasure of the Imperial government.

TO HOLD THESSALY.

Sultan Hopes to Unite That Province With Turkey.

LONDON, May 19.—According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from Vienna the Taggeblatt says: "The Sultan has consulted the Speik ul Islam, who has declared it the whim of Allah that Thessaly should be united to Turkey. Should he act upon this religious prompting it may be extremely difficult for the powers to prevent his purpose from being carried out."

The correspondent of the Standard at Constantinople says: "An Imperial irade just received orders for the immediate dispatch of a commission to inspect the railway in Thessaly, to repair it and to draw plans for its junction with the Turkish line to Monasto. This indicates an intention to transfer the line to the Eeutsch Bank syndicate and to keep a permanent hold on Thessaly.

ALASKA BOUNDARY.

The Senate Committee Should Be Sent Out With Prince Luigi to Climb Mt. St. Elias.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—The Alaska boundary treaty was considered by the senate committee on foreign relations to-day. This treaty was sent to the senate during the last congress, and provides for fixing the one hundred and forty-first meridian, but a question has arisen as to whether the summit of Mount St. Elias as provided in the treaty should be determined upon as a starting point. Senators Foraker, Clarke and Tupe were appointed a sub-committe to fully investigate the subject.

TRIED TRAIN WRECKING.

Wanted to See the Fun—Now He Will Not Have Any.

CHATHAM, May 19.—(Special)—Jas. Young, 21, was sentenced to five years to-day for placing an obstruction on a railway track, nearly causing a wreck. The prisoner said he did it to see some fun.

LANGEVIN COMMITS SUICIDE.

Sir Hector's Only Son Ends His Life at Quebec.

QUEBEC, May 19.—(Special)—La Force Langevin, only son of Sir Hector Langevin, committed suicide at his father's house this morning. Despondency owing to ill health was supposed to be the cause.

LUCKY MAYHEW.

He Was Poor and Now He Rolls in Wealth.

MONTREAL, May 19.—(Special)—James Mayhew, aged 60, lately in poverty, has received word that he has been left a fortune amounting to $250,000 by the death of an uncle in England.

Lawn mowers and rubber hose at the Cheapside. *

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Esquimalt Has the Best Facilities for This Purpose in the Pacific Northwest.

An Official American View of the Accommodations on the Sound.

Victoria is very fortunate in having such excellent accommodations for the repair of vessels as the Esquimalt Marine Railway as well as the dry-dock affords. At a meeting of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce a few weeks ago the question of docking ships was under discussion, and Mr. C. J. Smith, a member of the board, stated that his company, the Oregon Improvement Company, had placed the Pacific Coast Steamship Company's vessel, the Umatilla, on the Quartermaster harbor dock, but that in future the vessels of the line would be sent to Esquimalt. In Mr. Smith's opinion the dock at Quartermaster harbor is not stiff enough for such heavy service, and when the Umatilla was there the structure was very "shaky." President Graves said that Capt. Griffiths, American manager of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, would send the vessels of his line to Esquimalt when they needed docking rather than take the risk of the dock at Quartermaster harbor. The rate charged at Esquimalt was very low in comparison with the scale adopted by the government dock at Port Orchard. President Graves stated that the government did not intend to make a profit by decking vessels, and suggested continuing in the endeavor to secure lower rates. Mr. Smith said that in his estimation the Quartermaster harbor floating dock's capacity for safety was for vessels not over 200 feet in length and of 1,600 tons gross.

In this connection some extracts from a letter written to the United States secretary of the navy and signed by W. H. Whiting, commander U.S.N., senior member; Lawrence Spear, assistant naval constructor, U. S. N., member; Homer L. Ferguson, assistant naval constructor, will be of interest to shipping men. It is dated Puget Sound Naval Station, Bremerton, Wash., January 23, 1897, and in part states:

"Referring to the bureau's query as to 'First—The capacity of docks in the vicinity of the Puget Sound naval station for docking vessels, giving the dimensions and displacement of the largest vessels that can be safely docked and the approximate charge therefor:'

"The only dock in the territory of the United States in the vicinity of Puget Sound is situated at Quartermaster's harbor, near Tacoma, Wash., and is operated by the Puget Sound Drydock Company.

This dock is of the floating balance type; total length, 328 feet; length on keel blocks, 325 feet; extreme breadth, 100 feet; breadth between walls, 80 feet; depth of main body, 12 feet. This dock was examined by the two junior members of the board, but, owing to the absence of any plans and the inaccessibility of many parts, it is impossible to make any detailed calculation as to strength and lifting power. A reasonably accurate approximate estimate gives seven thousand five hundred (7,500) tons as the total lifting power. At the time of the examination the dock was occupied by the British iron sailing ship Senator, gross tonnage 1,800; 500 tons ballast and no cargo. All the bottom compartments of the dock contained water, and though the manager offered at some future date to pump the dock out dry for inspection, it is not considered advisable to put him to that expense and trouble, as, owing to the nature of its construction, it is impossible to obtain sufficient data for strength calculation. As the result of this examination of the dock, together with all the available evidence as to its behavior while lifting other and heavier vessels, the board is of the opinion that this dock can with safety handle vessels of ordinary form up to a length of 350 feet between perpendiculars and a gross registered tonnage of 3,500 tons, without cargo or other weights. The risk of lifting vessels beyond this size the board considers might be with propriety refused, except in case of absolute emergency.

The schedule of charges of the dock gives 20 cents per ton per day for all ships of 2,000 tons gross register, no extra charge being made for the day of docking. A day consists of twenty-four hours, reckoned from the time of going on the dock. At this rate the charge for the maximum safe lift of 3,500 gross tons would be $700 per day.

The board recommends as follows:

First—That, except in case of accident to the Quartermaster's harbor dock, or until such time as further deterioration renders that dock unsafe, no ship under the limits laid down as to size (length, 350 feet; gross tonnage, 3,500) be docked at the Puget Sound naval station.

Second—That before preparatory work for docking any merchant vessel is begun, the ship deposit to the credit of the commandant of this station a sum equal to at least one and one-half times her docking charge. In case the actual expense of docking comes within this docking charge, the balance between the docking charge and the deposit to be returned to the ship. In the event of the actual expense running above the docking charge, the difference between such actual expense and the deposit to be returned to the ship; but in the event of the future docking of ships of the same ownership, when the actual expense is less than the docking charge, the difference between the two to be paid to the ship, until such time as the excess paid by the ship in the first instance over the docking charge is all refunded, after which the charges as per schedule above, would again be operative. In no case is the government to be put to a loss, and before a ship is undocked the amount of money deposited to the credit of the commandant must be large enough to cover all contingencies which may have been unforeseen. The charges given in the schedule given above should easily cover the actual expense to the government, but the regulation outlined in this paragraph will insure the government against loss in any case, without injustice to ship owners.

Third—That the ship assume all risks to itself while in dock and during the process of docking and undocking; and further that the ship repair at its own expense any injury to the dock traceable to the negligence or incompetency of the ship's company or employes.

Fourth—That such police regulations as the commandant of this station may establish be applicable to all persons in the employ of the ship-owners while within the limits of the station.

(6) Referring to the specific question as to the docking of ships of the Japan-American line, the following vessels of that line are now running to the port of Seattle:

Names.	Gross Tonnage.	Length Feet.
S.S. Kagoshima Maru	4,139	372
S.S. Kinshiu Maru	3,590	360
S.S. Riogium Maru	4,670	360

These are to be followed by new steamers of about 6,000 tons gross register tonnage, and 425 feet in length. It is the opinion of the board that all these vessels are too large to be docked without risk in the dock at Quartermaster's harbor.

NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Vancouver Board of Trade Declare in Favor of a Mint for Canada.

Superintendent Rooney, of the C. P. R. Mail Service, Dies Suddenly —Nanaimo Mining Records.

VANCOUVER, May 19.—(Special)—At a meeting of the board of trade last night, Senator McInnes' suggestion to establish a mint for the coinage of gold, silver and copper coin was endorsed by resolution.

The committee appointed to arrange for a Jubilee memorial have decided to recommend that $5,000 be appropriated for clearing and fixing up the beach at English bay known as the "Second Beach," for the use of women and children, and clearing a portion of the park in the vicinity for a recreation ground absolutely free for the citizens. All the other schemes suggested were found too expensive in carrying them out.

It is said on excellent authority that it is probable that the Vancouver smelter will be located, not in the city limits, but hard by on the inlet, and likely in the neighborhood of North Vancouver. This site has been chosen to avoid public interference in respect of alleged nuisance from noxious gases, etc. Abundance of water can be easily got from mountain streams in North Vancouver, which would off-set the city water offered by the corporation.

Bicycle thieves are doing effective work in Vancouver. Yesterday two machines were stolen, one from Messrs. Edwards Bros. and one from Barker & Williams' cyclery.

J. Rooney, superintendent of the C.P. R. mail service, died suddenly at the hotel at Banff to-day.

At the spring assizes to-day Bruce Creighton, the notorious burglar, was sentenced to five years by Mr. Justice Drake, for bringing into Canada property stolen from LaConner, Wash. In passing sentence, Justice Drake pointed out that the accused had already spent twenty-two years of his life in prison.

R. Hill, who had been indicted with attempting to murder his wife, was allowed to plead guilty of aggravated assault, and was given two years' imprisonment.

WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, May 19.—(Special)—Mrs. Betts has been re-elected president of the missionary society, and the vice-presidents are Mrs. C. Watson, Mrs. J. C. Spencer, Mrs. T. Crosby and Mrs. Newcombe; secretary, Mrs. Chapman; treasurer, Mrs. James Cunningham.

NANAIMO.

There were 35 mineral claims recorded at the government office to-day, consisting of twelve on Texada island, four on Nelson island, three in Nanoose district, four in Dunsmuir district, two each on Cracoft island, Lasqueti island, Thurlow island, Valdes island and Wellington district, and one each on Johnston straits and Horne lake.—Nanaimo Free Press.

BETTER GO SLOW.

Premier Laurier's Advice in Regard to Placing the Le Roi Smelter at Northport.

On Friday morning a number of citizens of Rossland sent a telegram to Premier Laurier, Hon. A. G. Blair, minister of railways and canals, and Hewitt Bostock, M.P., stating that a powerful effort was being made to induce the Le Roi company to locate its smelter at Northport, Wash., and urging the Dominion government to declare its policy with regard to an export duty on ores, with a view to securing the erection of the proposed plant at some point in British Columbia. The following reply was received yesterday by Mayor Scott:

OTTAWA, Ont., May 15.

R. Scott, Mayor, Rossland:

The question is under consideration. The parties intending to locate a smelter on the south side of the international line would be wise in taking no hasty action.

WILFRED LAURIER.

We cannot too strongly commend Premier Laurier's advice to "take no hasty action" to those gentlemen who are contemplating the investment of several hundred thousand dollars without giving due consideration to the presence of the international boundary line between their mine and the site for their smelter which appears to be most in favor with them.—Rossland Miner.

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NOTICE OF MEETING.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the British Columbia Coal, Petroleum & Mineral Company, Limited Liability, will be held at the Company's offices, 45 Fort street, in the city of Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, A.D. 1897, at the hour of 12 o'clock noon, to confirm certain agreements made for and on behalf of the Company, and to authorize the Directors to sell the whole of the assets of the Company to the Kootenay Coal Company, Limited, for fully paid up shares in the said Kootenay Coal Company, Limited.

Dated this 21st day of April, 1897.

F. B. PEMBERTON,
ap21 Secretary

NOTICE—The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Van Anda Copper & Gold Company, will be held at the office of the Company, Room 613, Bailey Building, Seattle, Wash., on Tuesday, June 1st, 1897, at 1 p.m.

Dated May 15th, 1897.

my18 R. D. HALL, Secretary.

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For many years Californians have imported from the East carloads of young oysters direct from the breeding grounds on Chesapeake bay. The oysters which, when transported, are about as large as a man's thumb nail, are sown on the tide lands of San Francisco bay and other sheltered portions of the coast, and are allowed to grow and fatten to the same size as the most dignified bivalve from the Atlantic coast. An exceedingly lucrative business has for many years been carried on in these lines, and beds for the growth of Eastern oysters have been planted all along the coast as far north as Shoal Water Bay. But until quite recently it has always been maintained that the transplanted oyster never spawned, hence the necessity of annually replenishing the beds with fresh importations.

"By close observation," said Dr. Stanley yesterday, "it has been proved that this idea is a mistake and the trouble has arisen through the fact that the oyster beds have ever been located in such places that the tide and current have prevented the spawn from becoming attached. This matter of attachment is the one important element in the propogation of the oyster, for after the spawn has been cast it remains suspended in the water until a certain stage of development has been reached, when it attaches itself to some object, where it remains a fixture for life, and it has been proven by observation that unless this becoming fixed takes place at a certain precise period the oyster never has a chance to develop.

"Now, the currents flowing back and forth over the beds where oysters have been planted on this coast have, in every case, been altogether too strong, and the spawn has been washed away. To obviate this the French, some years ago, invented what is known as the Park system—which is simply a method of controlling the flow and ebb of the tides by means of a dam and tide gates. By this means the spawn is given time to settle, and at the same time the waters inside the enclosure are allowed to clear themselves.

"About six years ago I started to select a site for such an enclosure, and after looking over the ground selected a lagoon at Sequim, a short distance from Dungeness. This lagoon by its natural configuration does away with the building of a dam, which, in some of the French systems cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, and the only expense necessary to prepare the beds for the reception of the oysters will be the construction of flood gates across the mouth of the lagoon. As the waters of the straits are notoriously cold, these gates, by holding back the water inside, will raise its temperature very materially, and this will be another means of insuring the proper development of the crop of shell fish, and at the same time protecting them from their worst enemies on the coast—the starfish and drill. The lagoon has a superficial area of about 160 acres, and it is estimated that the natural increase of the oysters will, in the course of five years, make this area worth $1,000 per acre. The native oyster which is now supplied to the markets in the Northwest is a very small affair, and when we are in a position to ship our home-grown Eastern oysters we expect to supply the demand as far east as Winnipeg.

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Dr. Stanley pointed out that just as soon as the venture on the other side of the straits was a paying concern, the numerous lagoons on this side of the water would receive attention, as precisely similar conditions obtain in this province with respect to the propagation of the oyster.

ADMIRAL MILLER

Will Represent the United States Navy at the Jubilee Celebration.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Rear-Admiral Miller, who will be the United States government's naval representative at the Queen's jubilee ceremonies, has selected his staff and directed that they report on the Brooklyn for duty not later than May 25. Secretary Long has allowed the admiral a liberal sum for entertaining purposes, and it is proposed for once that the navy shall hold its own in receptions and entertainments along with the other admirals who may be present with their ships. The departure of the Brooklyn has been fixed for June 1, and her orders direct her to proceed to the English channel and join the other foreign warships which will be present for the festivities.

"Ten people out of a dozen are invalids," says a recent medical authority. At least eight out of these ten, it is safe to allow, are suffering from some form of blood-disease which a persistent use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla would be sure to cure. Then don't be an invalid.

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COMING EVENTS.

THE monthly business meeting of the W.C.T.U. will be held in Temperance hall this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

THE Companions of the Forest will hold their ice cream social and dance in A. O. U. W. hall on May 24 instead of 27.

A SPECIAL meeting of the executive of the Woman's Council is to be held at 2:30 to-morrow afternoon, in the room of the Friendly Help Association, the consideration of the agenda for the national association constituting the business for the day.

THE Willing Workers of Christ Church will hold a sale of work in the cathedral schoolroom to-morrow, commencing at 2 o'clock, when a varied and choice selection of fancy work as well as useful articles will be sold at extremely reasonable prices. There will also be a tempting array of home-made candies, and tea and cake will be served.

"A RUN on the Bank," which comes to the Victoria theatre to-night, was written for John Ward and Harry Vokes, who have long been known for their highly amusing work as "Percy and Harold" in the best grade of vaudeville houses, and now in their third season as joint dramatic stars. In "A Run on the Bank" they appear as two impecunious but nervy individuals, who accidentally secure the credentials of two genuine lords, pass themselves off as Lord Percy Soakup and Baron Harold de Canter. They offer their titles to two daughters of a wealthy old banker and are quickly accepted. The father of the girls start his prospective sons-in-law in the banking business, and the manner in which they conduct the institution causes plenty of amusement. A run on the bank finally takes place and the depositors are paid off in counterfeit money. The dialogue is credited with being bright, the scenes and situations original and comical, with the specialties novel and humorous, while the comedy is adorned with appropriate scenery and elaborate costumes. The company supporting Ward and Vokes is promised to be one of the best ever organized for this light and frothy style of amusement, and is composed of the following artists: Charley Guyer, Tony Williams, Joe Kelly, Arthur Deagon, Bert St. John, Cyrus Riddell, Lucy Daly, Gilbertie Learock, Margaret Daly Vokes, Pauline Von Arold, Eleanor, Florence Beardsley, Martha Franklin, Georgia St. John, Lisle Bloodgood, Sadie Whitcomb, Alma Desmond, Hattie Bernard, Grace Archer, Belle Varney and Madge Christie.

HERE is the complete programme to be presented by Miss Sharp and her pupils of the Conservatory of Music at Institute hall to-night, the entertainment being in aid of the fund for the establishment of a children's ward at the Jubilee hospital, to commemorate the completion by Her Majesty of the longest reign in British history:

Persian March (two pianos eight hands) ..... de Kontski
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"The Two Grenadiers" ..... Schumann
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Miss Gertrude May Flumerfelt.
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Mrs. Mesher.
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Miss Agnes Dier.
"The Gift" ..... Behrend
Miss Mary A. Wilson.
"Barchetta," op. 6, No. 2 ..... Nevin
Miss May Hickey.
"Oh Fair, Oh Sweet and Holy" .... Cantor
Mr. Albert T. Goward.
"The Flatterer" ..... Chaminade
Miss Winnifred Wilson.
"Crossing the Bar" ..... Dudley Buck
Mrs. William Greig.
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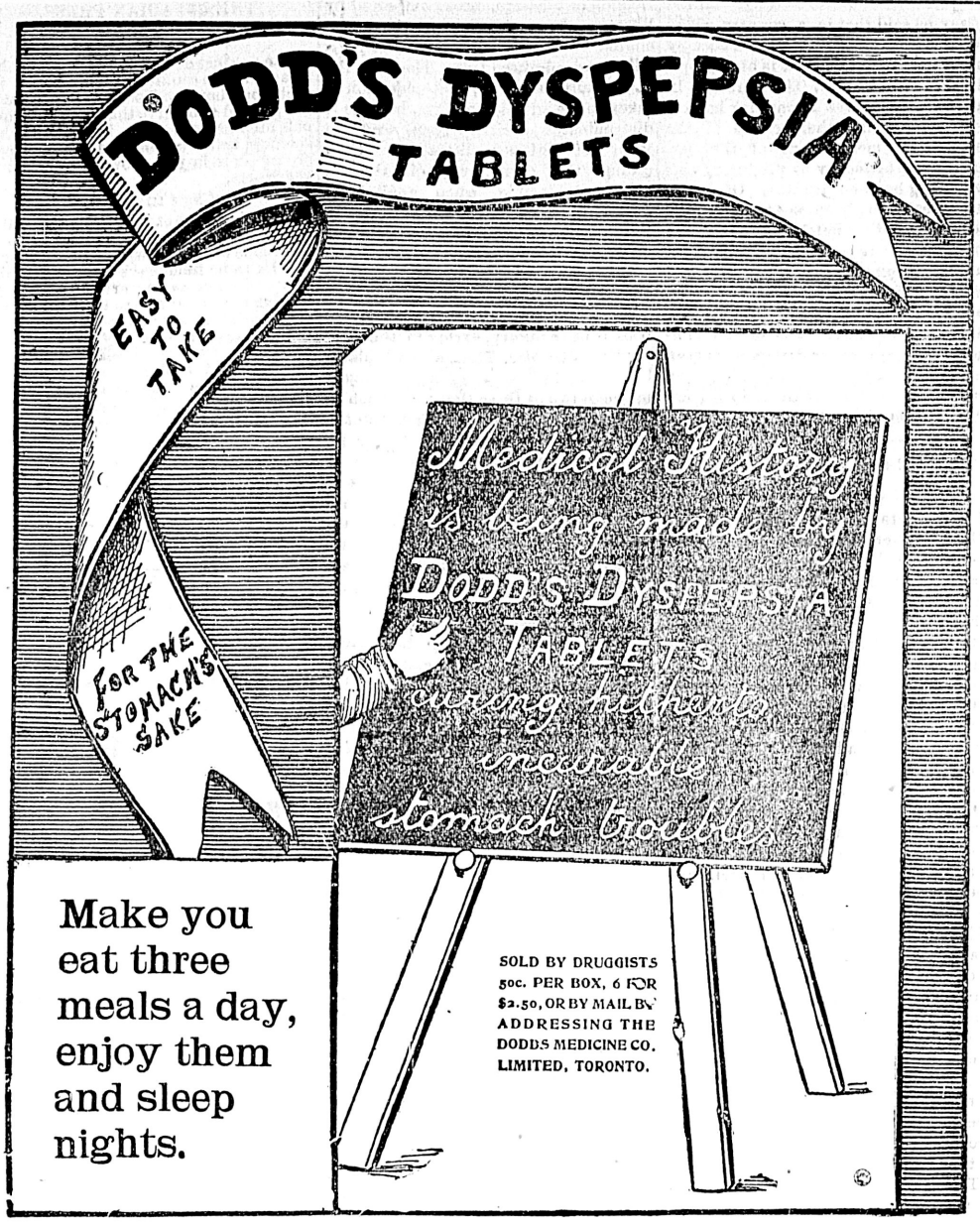

WHY WE IMPORT.

TO THE EDITOR:—In your issue of the 18th instant you ask why it is that we have to import apples, butter, beef and mutton while we claim that we can produce all these articles of superior quality within our own borders; I can give a reason or two which falls within my own experience and that of many friends. The imported article comes here not only good in quality, but properly graded, a single box of fruit out of a shipment may be taken as a fair sample of the whole of that particular variety, while the top layer which meets the eye of a purchaser is just the same as that below, and the same remark is true of everything imported in any quantity. Foreign producers have learnt the value of systematic grading, but in this matter we are far behind the times. I have often bought apples, plums, strawberries, potatoes, etc., raised in this province, but on so many occasions have I found that the top layers in the boxes or sacks are of very much superior quality to those below (the difference not being found out until unpacked), that I, like many others, prefer to buy the imported article. With butter, too, the quality is not maintained at the same grade throughout. If this is unavoidable, the purchaser should be made aware of the difference, and not left to find out for himself that the brand upon which he relied was too often used as a blind to effect the sale of an inferior quality. The Americans lay very great stress upon the systematic grading of all produce. Let local producers attend to this; let them label their boxes or sacks and guarantee that the contents have been properly graded, and then, if the quality is equal to the imported article, I think they will have gone a long way toward keeping the home market for themselves. No doubt a great many provincial fruit growers take great pains in grading and packing their produce and deserve every success which can be wished for them; but there are others, having old and badly selected orchards, who take no pride in their fruit, and as no money is spent in its production, they are satisfied with a few cents for a sackful of rubbish, with two or three handfuls of the largest fruit on the top as a bait for the unwary. If city vendors could be induced to sell nothing but properly graded produce, I am sure it would be a great assistance to the honest, hard-working majority, who efforts are crippled by the incompetent and idle few. The beef question is not easily dealt with. Our wild lands, as a rule, will not fatten stock for more than a few months in the year, and artificial feeding must be resorted to; imported stock, on the contrary, comes from regions where natural food is so abundant that there is little necessity for winter feeding, and stock owner have, as a rule, the expenses of herding and transport only to diminish their profits, consequently they can sell at a low figure. Still, I think something can be done by our own people, lean stock bought up cheap early in the spring might be imported and quickly fattened on our own runs, each district having its own slaughterhouse, and paid salesmen in the market towns, thus doing away with the middleman's profits. Sellers, I think, would find it better to sell their own dead meat, horns, hides, bones, etc., direct to consumers, rather than dispose of the beef on the hoof, as they do now. With imported lean stock, and the limited number of our own raising which can profitably winter over, we might at all events keep the market supplied for a few months in the year; but changes such as I propose are not easily accomplished, and my idea may be wrong, but we shall do nothing to get rid of our many drawbacks until we take a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together. WILD LANDS.

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TIME TABLE No. 28,

To take effect at 8 a.m. on Monday, March 29 1897. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

GOING NORTH—READ DOWN.

	Daily	Sat. & Sunday
	A.M.	P.M.
Lv. Victoria for Nanaimo and Wellington	8:00	4:00
Ar. Nanaimo	11:48	7:25
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Lv. Wellington for Victoria	8:15	4:15

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A. DUNSMUIR, President. JOSEPH HUNTER, Gen'l Supt.

H. K. PRIOR, General Freight and Passenger Agent. oc29

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

Br. Barque "Balmore."

(from Liverpool.)

This vessel will discharge cargo at the Outer Wharf on Tuesday, May 18th, and following days.

Consignees are requested to present bills of lading at the office of the undersigned, pay freight and receive orders for their goods.

All goods remaining on the wharf after 5 o'clock each day and while on the wharf, will be at the risk of the consignees thereof respectively, and may be stored at their expense.

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THE DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE.

We print an interview to-day with Captain Yates, who is interested in promoting a line of steamers from British Columbia to Central and South America. The facts which he brings out are of vast importance, and we feel confident that he can count upon the active co-operation of every citizen of British Columbia in the work in which he is engaged. The possibilities involved in the establishment of a line of steamers over the proposed route are enormous. Every pressure ought to be brought to bear upon the Dominion Government to induce them to foster this enterprise, in which there is not a suggestion of politics. Captain Yates says that he found the members of the opposition quite as eager to advance the proposition as the government supporters were, which is not surprising, because all Canada feels the necessity of commercial expansion.

Yesterday the Marquis Ito told the readers of the COLONIST, in a general way, what room for commercial expansion there is to the West. He spoke, of course, from the point of view of the the publicist. To-day we have a practical man tell us what can be done to the South. Elsewhere on this page reference is made to the opening for trade to the North, and our correspondents join with us in discussing the home market. These are the live issues of the hour. Prosaic they may be in comparison with other matters, but there is a poetry in long line of bales and barrels, and a music in the rattle of drays and the creaking of cranes, that we would be all the better for knowing more about. Let us all get a move on ourselves.

THE SUPPLY OF THE HOME MARKET.

A paragraph in the COLONIST of a few days ago has brought out a letter from a gentleman who prefers to hide his identity under the signature "Wild Land." The withholding of his name from the public is, however, a matter of no importance in view of the very valuable points brought out in the letter. This sort of practical discussion of a practical question is just what is wanted, and we shall be glad to have other letters on the same subject, of the same thorough business-like character. These are matters in which the whole people are deeply concerned, and it is of the greatest interest to all that there should be the fullest possible interchange of ideas about them.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the first point made by our correspondent, namely, the proper grading of produce, and scarcely second to it is the proper packing. A case may be cited of a rancher in the state of Washington who, when asked why it was that he sold everything he raised, and at good prices, while his neighbors were continually worried by having to compete with produce from California, said: "I suppose the reason is that I put up my stuff in just as neat packages as the California people do, and have them true to sample." There is no surer passport to a customer's eye than a neat package, and no surer open Sesame to his purse than to have the quality of the goods what they are represented to be.

The observations which our correspondent makes in regard to cattle feeding are well worth close attention. With much of what he says we agree; but it is not quite correct that our beef producers have to compete with those who do not have to give much attention to the question of winter feeding. Indeed it may be said that in a country where hay and turnips can be grown cheaply the winter feeding of stock is highly profitable. For instance, the farmers in the province of New Brunswick have to provide for feeding their cattle at the barns for six months out of the year, but they make money by producing beef by feeding hay and turnips. Of course their great effort is made to getting the steers fat for the butcher as young as possible. There is much, no doubt, in the suggestion that money can be made by buying up lean cattle and fattening them on the ranges; but this calls for capital. What we think is of more immediate importance is that ranchers can be got to see that there is a profit in having two or three fat cattle to sell two or three times a year.

THE TRADE OF THE YUKON.

Elsewhere will be found a description of the route to the Yukon via the Stickeen river and Teslin lake, which the Provincial government proposes to open this summer. The amount to be expended, $2,000, is not large, but if what is said of the hundred miles of country to be traversed is true, will be found ample for the purpose. This will give by all means the best available route to the Yukon gold fields, and the best of it is that it will be an all-Canadian one, for although the Stickeen runs through a few miles of United States territory before entering the sea, its free navigation is secured to all British subjects by treaty. When this trail is completed it will be reached by seagoing steamers to Fort Wrangel, and thence by river steamer up the Stickeen to Telegraph creek. A hundred miles of land carriage over a level country will transport the miner and his outfit, and the merchant and his goods, from the navigable waters of the Skeena to the navigable waters of the Yukon river system. As compared with all other routes to the interior, this is, in the absence of railway communication, incomparably the best, and after the trail is opened the the Chilkoot Pass route will probably be abandoned very largely if not altogether.

This is a matter of very great importance to the business men of the Coast cities. We have already twice referred to the general impression that the Yukon gold fields are in Alaska, and hence that Seattle is the best point to outfit for them; but a third reference will not be out of place, for only recently a party of young men from Toronto came over the Canadian Pacific and went to Seattle to procure supplies to take into the Canadian portion of the Yukon valley. British Columbia merchants have lost thousands of dollars through this general misunderstanding of the matter by gold-seekers, and the COLONIST is determined that it shall not be its fault if they do not get their share of this trade another year.

But it is not only a trail that is necessary through Canadian territory, and not only the correction of the common mistake as to the ownership of the gold fields. Victoria merchants must cater for the trade. They must advertise for it. In the season the Seattle papers are full of advertisements of Yukon outfits. No man, who comes to the Sound over the Great Northern and Northern Pacific railways, is left in any doubt as to where he can buy his goods for his Alaska outfit. Every Seattle paper that he buys upon the train tells him in big letters that the place to outfit is at So-and-So's or at somebody else's. He sees a rivalry between merchants as to who shall get the trade. The traveller on the Canadian Pacific sees the same thing, but if he turns to a Victoria or a Vancouver paper to see what those cities have to offer him in the same line he encounters only the stereotyped advertisements of patent medicine concerns, or the scarcely less interesting announcements of most of the leading merchants. Somebody informs him in a solemn sort of way that he sells hardware. Another takes him into his confidence sufficiently to tell him that he keeps tobacco. Another intimates that he has a stock of groceries, and another ventures to intimate that he deals in dry goods. Now, if merchants want the business of men who have snap enough to go to the Yukon they must put some snap into their advertisements.

So a three-fold effort must be made to secure the trade of the Yukon for our cities, where it properly belongs. The government must provide a trail into the country. This is about to be done. The newspapers must make it widely known that the Yukon is Canadian territory and hence that Canadian cities are the proper places to outfit. This will, we are sure, be done. The merchants must cater to the trade and advertise their ability to do at least as well by miners as any one else can. We believe that this also will be done.

THE DUTY ON BOOKS.

A very general protest is being made against the duty on books prescribed by the new tariff. Upon books as a class the duty is 20 per cent. ad valorem; but bibles, prayer books, hymnals, books in any language other than English or French, books for the blind and deaf and dumb, government publications, official reports of benevolent and scientific associations, and books not printed or reprinted in Canada and used in the curriculum of a college, books imported by libraries, benevolent associations and similar institutions and unbound periodicals are admitted free. The free list is generally endorsed; but objection is taken to the ad valorem duty, because it discriminates against good and in favor of inferior literature. Conceding the correctness of the ad valorem principle when applied to duties in general, we think that in the very nature of the case books ought to be exempted from its operation. The value of a book does not depend upon the material out of which it is made, or the labor expended upon it. A high-priced book is not a luxury, except in the case of *editions de luxe*. Thus, a small, plainly bound work on a scientific subject may cost two or three times as much as a large, flashy, popular volume, and the student would, in that case, under an ad valorem duty, have to pay two or three times as much duty on his book as would be paid by the person who imported the other for his amusement. This sort of thing is not right, and we hope that the Finance Minister will see his way clear to make some other provision.

MR. LAURIER'S telegram intimating that the parties who contemplate erecting a smelter at Northport to smelt British Columbia ore would "be wise in taking no hasty action," can only mean that an export duty on ore may be imposed if it is necessary to secure the establishment of smelters in this Province. The telegram may be a trifle irregular, but we will not be over critical if it produces the desired result.

COMMENTING on the recent vote in Toronto the Star of that city says:

The street cars will run,
And we shall have fun,
And what will the ministers do then, poor things?

To which we would respectfully reply:

They will centre their capers
Against Sunday papers,
And keep printers from going to church, poor things.

SPEAKING of the export of Canadian horses to England, the Ottawa Citizen says the number and value could be greatly increased "if farmers would improve the quality of their wares." If the Citizen will amend this sentence by changing the "w" in the last word to an "m," it will hit the nail on the head exactly.

THE verdict in the Point Ellice disaster case places the whole responsibility upon the city and relieves the tramway company. The legal propositions involved are, of course, unsettled. We think that the people of Victoria would like to see this unhappy affair disposed of in some equitable way at an early day.

AN annoying clerical error occurred in the interview with Marquis Ito, published in the COLONIST yesterday. The Marquis was made to say that Japan had not a full measure of popular constitutional government. What he said was that it has now a full measure of such government.

THE Nelson Tribune infers from the Lieutenant-Governor's action in regard to the Oriental Labor bill that His Honor is interested in the British Pacific railway. "Who can minister to a mind diseased?"

THE Times has Ruckles on the brain. What a great thing it is to have a paper that is able to concentrate its high intelligence upon a matter of such insignificance week after week.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Floor Walker—She complains that you didn't show her common civility. Salesman—I showed her everything in my department, sir.—Detroit Journal.

"Oh, that," said she, wearily, "is another thing." It did seem as if their tete-a-tete was constantly to be interrupted by a succession of Chollies—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"Ah," said the butter, facetiously, "which one of the four seasons may you be?" "I," said the pepper, with dignity, "I am the hot, dry season you read of so often."—Typographical Journal.

"I may be overcareful," she said, as she hid the plated spoons and her curling irons in the bottom of her trunk before she went out shopping, "but I just can't bear to run any risks." Then she pinned her gold watch to the outside of her dress by a blue ribbon, and went down town.—Detroit Free Press.

"Do you know it is a mighty good thing for the human race that it is so short-lived?" "I'd like to know how?" "Just think how utterly spoiled a boy would be, for instance, who had all his great-great-grandmothers to take an interest in his career."—Indianapolis Journal.

Gibbs—What are you loafing about town at this time of night for? Dobbs—'Fraid to go home. Wife told me to be sure and remember something, and I've forgotten what it was. Gibbs—It wasn't groceries, was it? Dobbs—No. Gibbs—Baby food, tacks or theatre tickets? Dobbs—No; but I've thought of it. Gibbs—What was it? Dobbs—She wanted me to remember and come home early.—Tid-Bits.

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FOR HOME SMELTERS.

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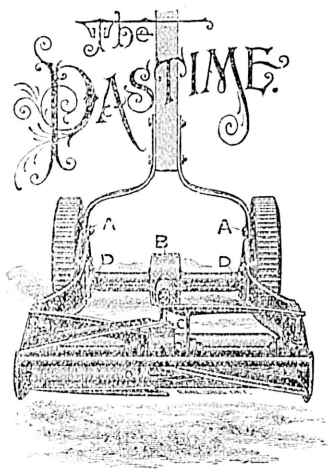

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THE CITY

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The mayor, accompanied by several members of the provincial government, will visit the proposed rifle range on Oak Bay avenue, this morning.

Tenders will shortly be invited for the erection of a new wing to the New Westminster hospital for the insane, to relieve the pressure upon the existing accommodation at that institution.

First offence drunks were in the majority at the session of the city police court yesterday. They were five in number, and the usual leniency was shown in the disposition of the several cases.

James Mitchell, a young machinist claiming Victoria as his place of residence, was married at Portland yesterday to Ida N. McIntosh, a widow. The bridegroom, in making application for the necessary license, stated his age to be 21, while the age of the bride was given at 56.

At Waitt's hall last evening the ladies of the Church of Our Lord gave a conversazione which proved as unqualifiedly delightful to the guests of the evening as entertainments projected and carried out by the fair members of the Reformed Church usually do. The musical and literary programme discussed during the evening was as published in yesterday's Colonist.

Manager J. A. Virtue, of the Mount Baker, is making preparations for a first-class concert by the band of the Fifth, at Oak Bay on the 24th. The Victoria Gun Club hold their trap shooting tournament that day on the ground in rear of the hotel, and the public—especially ladies and children—are invited to bring their baskets and lunches and enjoy themselves to the sweet music of the military band.

Captain Harris, of the schooner E. B. Marvin, during the voyage from the north which he has just completed, brought with him a find which, if it proves to be as expected—genuine ambergris—will realize more profit to the discoverer than a shipload of seals. The deposit from which the specimen was taken is so extensive that all hands and the cook will be well provided for if it should prove to be the anticipated substance.

The following representatives from the Metropolitan Methodist church Epworth League go to Nanaimo this morning to attend the Provincial Epworth League convention, to be held there today, to-morrow and Saturday: Mrs. Siddall, Mr. and Mrs. Charlton, Mr. William Moore, Miss Baird, Miss Mabel Knott, Mr. Ernest Rogerson and Mr. George Brown. Miss Burkholder and Mrs. Goodacre will also attend as representatives of the Metropolitan Sunday school.

During Tuesday evening's fire on Simcoe street a little lad, the grandson of the occupant of the premises threatened with destruction, narrowly escaped being smothered to death. He was the only one in the building at the time the fire occurred, and was sleeping on a sofa in the dining room. When his grandmother saw the smoke and flames issuing from the roof and rushed in, she discovered that the boy had not awakened, and had it not been for her providential arrival, would in all probability have lost his life.

The mining fever has invaded the serenity of Happy Valley, and a settler in that delightful district yesterday brought to the city half a dozen pieces of uninteresting looking rock which will be subjected to assay. The comfortably situated rancher who hacked them off of a boulder on his farm is strongly of the opinion that they contain both gold and silver in proportion sufficient to make it profitable for him to combine mining with agriculture, and derive a profit from both the surface and the rocks beneath the soil.

The Pacific Coast Steamship Company has announced its special rates to members of the Christian Endeavor Association and their families from Victoria and Puget Sound ports, to the Christian Endeavor convention at San Francisco, July 7-12. Round trip fare is placed at $22.50. Tickets will be good on steamer Walla Walla, leaving Tacoma June 27, steamer Umatilla, July 2, and steamer City of Puebla, July 7; returning from San Francisco on any steamer up to and including the steamer Walla Walla leaving there July 20.

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A false alarm of fire was sounded last evening between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock.

Little Richard Henry Berryman, a boy highly thought of by all who knew him, passed away at his home on Elizabeth street yesterday morning. He was 13 years of age.

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I will take it—
If you have none
I will make it.
x Savannah, Photo.

A fishing smack was drifting bottom up in James bay early yesterday morning. In the afternoon the owners righted the stray craft, thus dispelling any anxiety that had been entertained.

William Head will be almost completely depopulated on Friday, when 580 of the Chinese passengers who have been in quarantine since the memorable arrival of the C.P.R. steamship Empress of China, will be released.

For the third time the pretty little operetta "Lily Bell" was presented in the A.O.U.W. hall last evening, the entertainment having been given by popular request. There was a good attendance, and the special feature of dancing introduced on the programme was greatly admired.

Ald. John Partridge has given formal notice of his intention to move for a special committee of the council to present to the management of the British Columbia Electric Railways, Ltd., the desirability of granting to the men of H. M. army and navy a single fare of five cents between Victoria city and Esquimalt.

Tickets for the concert to be given by the Faculty and Pupils of the Victoria Conservatory of Music, in aid of fund for Diamond Jubilee Children's Ward, can be had at T. N. Hibben's, Gov't St.; Lombard's, Fort St.; Waitt's, Gov't St.; Hall's Drug Store, Challoner & Mitchell's, Redfern's, or from any of the committee. x

There was an interesting assemblage at Calvary church last evening—the annual meeting of the Baptist Local Preachers' Association. The topics discussed covered the entire field of the local preachers' work and the several addresses were listened to with close attention by the many religious workers present of all denominations.

The post office department in this city received a telegraphic message from Banff yesterday morning relating the death, a few hours prior to the filing of the dispatch, of John Rooney, who but recently was appointed superintendent of the railway mail system for this province, and who but very lately had left Vancouver on an official trip. He had not been officially advised of his promotion, for the papers notifying him of the appointment had reached Vancouver after his departure. He was one of the first mail clerks on the Western division of the C. P. R., and his promotion followed the separation here a short time ago of the railroad mail clerk system and the post office department.

The ice cream social given by the Y.P.S.C.E. of the First Presbyterian church last evening was a success. Misses Wilson and Gibb opened the programme with a piano duet, which received a well merited encore. The quartette, "The Last Rose of Summer," by Misses Milne and Baker, and Messrs. Brown and Kinnaird, was splendidly rendered. Miss Ruby Grant did some clever club-swinging, and the Misses Cutler's voices blended sweetly in "What Are the Wild Waves Saying." Rev. P. C. L. Harris rendered "The Lost Chord" in his usual finished style. Mr. McNeill deserves special mention for his dramatic recital of "The Women of Marble Head" and "Ask Mamma." The Misses Munsies piano duet was acceptably rendered. Mr. J. G. Brown's well rendered solo "Over the Wave" brought the programme to a close. Dr. Campbell occupied the chair during the evening.

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IMPORTANT BUSINESS

Receives the Consideration of the City Council—Smelter Proposition Declined.

Compensation Sought From the Federal Government for Expenses by Smallpox Cases.

The Victoria city council met last evening at 7:30, and before their adjournment two hours later had disposed of four exceptionally important matters of business. In the first place they had given an answer to Mr. William Selover, the smelter promoter, to the effect that no by-law in the direction of assisting his enterprise could be laid before the ratepayers without a requisition in the usual manner. Then it was agreed that the streets committee should be allowed to anticipate the allotment of money provided for them and proceed with the work of repairing the Gorge and Garbally roads during the continuance of the summer weather. Waterworks improvement was the third topic of debate, the city engineer being authorized to proceed with the further work not before provided for of flattening the slopes to the reservoir to a grade of 2 to 1, the reservoir floor being subsequently laid in brick and the sides being finished with concrete. The final business of the evening was considered in board of health session, it being decided to make application to the Dominion government for a refund of $10,840.16—this being the amount of expense caused to the city through the recent introduction of smallpox by reason of inefficient quarantine.

These subjects were dealt with in the order in which they have been here mentioned, the mayor as soon as the aldermen had taken their seats reading a letter from Mr. Selover in which that gentleman requested information as to whether or not the council had reached a conclusion in regard to the offer made by himself and his associats.

In reply to a question from Ald. Harrison, the Mayor explained that a by-law could not be introduced unless it were petitioned for by the percentage of the property owners requisite in all cases of money by-laws. His own feeling in the matter, Mayor Redfern continued, was that the city should not bonus any enterprise of this character outside of the corporation limits; and that in any event the price asked by Mr. Selover and his associates was beyond all reason.

Ald. Harrison's views were very similar to those expressed by the Mayor, while

Ald. Partridge and Hall pointed out that a special committee had been named by the council to take this smelter matter into their consideration, and urged that this communication from Selover go to this committee for a report.

As a member of the committee in question, Ald. McCandless stated that the committee could give the council no information supplementary to what they had already presented. He considered the $150,000 bonus proposition dead if the smelter was to be located at Esquimalt.

"The smelter people, Mr. Selover informs me," remarked the mayor, "say that they cannot consider any other conditions than those they have laid before us. They are anxious to have the question disposed of at once, too, so that in the event of Victoria not being disposed to come to their terms, they can look elsewhere."

Ald. Stewart, although he, like the other members of the board, saw only defeat in store for the proposed by-law in the event of it being submitted, was nevertheless of the opinion that the ratepayers should have the opportunity of themselves deciding the matter.

The Mayor explained that the opportunity of presenting a petition for the submission of a by-law still remained with the ratepayers. Had they been very anxious to endorse this smelter proposition such a petition would no doubt have made its appearance long ago.

Ald. Harrison held to the view that if a by-law were presented to the people the cost of its presentation should be borne by Mr. Selover and his company, in the same manner as the expense of submitting the Victoria & Sidney by-law was borne by that company.

The opinion of the council was finally embodied in a resolution put forward by Ald. McCandless and adopted on a six to four division (the mayor voting), to the effect that "the clerk inform Mr. Selover that this council has no power to introduce such a by-law as proposed except upon requisition by the duly qualified ratepayers, and that in the opinion of this council the present proposition would not be acceptable to the city."

In regard to the repairing of Garbally and Gorge roads it was explained that both were in a wretched condition, and that it was absolutely necessary that they be made right during the continuance of fine weather. The streets committee had allowed to them something like $2,000 per month for the remainder of the year. They did not ask for an increase of this amount, but in order to obtain better results from the work they asked to be allowed to draw ahead on their fund, and spend over their monthly allowance now, retrenching the expenditure later in the season to even matters.

Ald. Partridge objected to the request being granted, on the ground that the North ward was obtaining an unfair proportion of the money provided for street work. He held that before the repair of the outside roads was taken up, Johnson street in the heart of the city should be put in proper repair.

Ald. Kinsman presented figures to show that Ald. Partridge's conclusions in regard to the Central ward having been discriminated against were not properly founded, and after

Ald. McCandless, although a resident of Johnson street, had endorsed the necessity of the request of the streets committee being granted, especially as the condition of the Gorge road would disgrace the city in the eyes of visitors during celebration time,

A sum of $1,200 was placed in the hands of the committee to proceed with the work in question.

In the matter of the waterworks, an estimate prepared by the city engineer was read by the Mayor, together with a recommendation from that officer that before the reservoir was completed its slopes should be flattened, as they are liable to slip and damage the facing, and the bottom of the reservoir raised about two feet. The cost of raising the floor of the reservoir to the level of the outlet of the lake and paving with brick would be, it was stated, $6,056. The cost of trimming the slopes and facing with brick was given as $3,780, or if the work were done in concrete instead of brick, it would make the figures $7,740. The estimate of cost of flattening the slopes was given as $1,982, their facing with brick involving a cost of $4,313, or with concrete, of $8,900. The expense attached to the roofing of the reservoir was placed at $2,855, and the necessary foundation work at $200. The total cost of the proposed work, if the facing of the slopes were done in brick, was summarized at $11,110, or if in concrete, at $15,700.

Ald. McGregor, Stewart, Harrison and Kinsman agreed that although the brick flooring would do very well, concrete for the facing was the only thing likely to give permanently satisfactory results.

Ald. Harrison also pointed out that any less slope than 1½ to 1 was liable to slide, and

Ald. McGregor did not think it was necessary to say anything about the grade as it was impossible to make it less than 1½ to 1.

Ald. Partridge to be consistent with his former stand on waterworks questions objected to any deviation from the original plan. If this work had not been changed from Mr. Jorgenson's original plan, approved by the most eminent engineers in the East, the city would be in a better position to-day than that in which it found itself, thanks to the city engineer.

The mayor explained that adopting concrete, which all agreed was the better material, the work proposed would involve a total expenditure of $13,796, or allowing $1,000 for contingencies, of $14,796. There was also the cost of connecting with the main to be provided for, and an unexpended balance of but $8,000 remained of the water works loan. He was in favor of doing all that could be done with the money on hand, and then making provision for the completion of the work. He did not think the ratepayers would begrudge the eight or ten thousand dollars necessary to complete the work if they were assured that it was being done in the best possible manner, and would give every satisfaction on its completion.

Ald. Vigelius shared this opinion, and it was eventually decided that the slopes should be flattened in the manner which the city engineer pronounced necessary, that the floor of the reservoir be laid in brick, and that the sides be done in concrete—Ald. Partridge alone voting nay on the principle that it involved a change from the original plan.

On the council going into board of health, Ald. Partridge and McCandless moved for the exclusion of the press, although Mayor Redfern took occasion to explain that there were no matters to be discussed that the public had not every right to know about. The motion was lost, and the reading of Dr. Fraser's report in connection with the recent outbreak of smallpox in the city was at once proceeded with.

In this the city medical health officer said that the outbreak had been limited to three cases, the first a very mild one, the patient being received into the isolation hospital on February 11, and discharged, cured, March 3. He had been a deck hand on board the steamship Victoria on her special trip with an auxiliary crew from this city to Tacoma and return, and there could be no question but that he had been infected on board the steamship. The other two cases were those of the children of Mr. Braden, discharged May 8, confluent smallpox of the most malignant type. The father had been employed as a plumber and as a guard at the quarantine station, but had visited his home during the time he was so employed, and had thus no doubt communicated the disease to his family. With the assistance of the sanitary officer, Dr. Fraser had been able, he reported, to keep all the 'longshoremen and cabin dwellers under close observation, and his efforts to stamp out the disease had been crowned with success. The total expense occasioned the city through the outbreak was $10,840, inclusive of a sum of $2,675 for property destroyed at the isolation hospital.

Mayor Redfern repeating his intention of applying to the Dominion government for a refund of this amount, it was moved by Ald. McGregor and Hall and unanimously adopted that

"The report be received and filed, and a copy of the accounts be transmitted to the Dominion superintendent of quarantine and the Department of Agriculture, with application for a refund of the several amounts paid by the city, the outbreak having been directly occasioned by inefficient quarantine."

This, the last item of the evening's business, was also the only topic upon which unanimity of opinion was expressed, the proceedings as a whole being as notable for vindictive cross-firing as by reason of the importance of the subjects considered.

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How Central American Republics and British Columbia Could Work for Mutual Benefit.

What One Country Needs the Other Has—Promise of Several New Industries.

Mr. E. E. Sheppard, the Dominion government trade commissioner to Mexico and the Central American Republics, is expected here at the end of next week, when the business men of Victoria will be called upon to furnish him with all data available concerning a profitable interchange of products between the countries named and British Columbia. Before coming to Victoria, however, Mr. Sheppard will hold conferences with the boards of trade and other representative commercial bodies at all the leading cities, in order that no industry there represented shall be neglected. In view of Mr. Sheppard's early arrival, the COLONIST yesterday interviewed Captain A. F. Yates, who, as the representative of Messrs. F. C. Davidge & Co., recently visited Ottawa in connection with the project of extending British Columbia's trade in the direction of the Isthmus.

"Mr. Sheppard," he said, "is the right man in the right place. The Minister of Trade and Commerce has chosen one of the best men he could find anywhere to visit these neighboring countries. He has been appointed to investigate the possibilities of trade in order to justify the government in granting a subsidy to the proposed line. In reference to the products of British Columbia we must bear in mind that the markets which we contemplate opening up in these southern republics number no fewer than thirteen, all of which are now supplied by small orders for lumber—that is no independent place can afford taking a single cargo or shipload. Consequently these orders are at present supplied by San Francisco by steam, and inasmuch as San Francisco is obliged to herself import all the lumber she at present consumes, let alone what she exports, British Columbians could, I consider, compete successfully with the Americans in this line. The value of lumber, shingles, doors, windows, etc., exported to these countries in 1896 amounted to $1,464,547.

"In speaking of forest products, we have, close to Vancouver city, and possibly on the Island, large quantities of hemlock bark of a superior quality for tanning purposes to that of Wisconsin. Now, in that state the Boston Tanning Co. have in operation at Stanley a tannery which imports large quantities of hides from South America, having found it cheaper to bring hides to the bark than vice versa. In the establishment of our line we would be in a position to deliver South American hides by water at very low rates, thereby giving capitalists an opportunity of establishing large leather industries in this province.

"In furniture, again, there is a large demand for a cheap article, and herein lies another promising opening for factories. In return for the manufactured articles we would be able to import such cabinet woods as mahogany, cedar, ebony, etc., thereby enabling our factories to compete successfully in the manufacture of expensive furniture.

"Good markets would be opened for fish products such as canned and salted fish, and as our company contemplate placing cold storage on the steamers of the line this would give encouragement to our fishermen to send fresh salmon and halibut to these promising markets. Herein, too, lies a field of possible employment for the sealing schooners which now lie idle in this port during the greater part of the year.

"Mexico last year imported 195,000 tons of coal and 95,000 tons of coke. On the other hand these republics exported sissal grass to the United States in the same year to the value of $3,000,000. This grass is used for the manfacture of twines, cordage, etc., and British Columbia being in a position to import manilas direct from the Philippines I am prepared to say that should our plans be carried out a cordage factory would here be located. We have also in the line of exports from those republics istele or tampico fibre, used in the making of brooms, and I see no reason why with cheap facilities for importing these raw materials broom factories should not be operated with much more profit than is possible at the present time.

"In reference to our sugar refinery—it would be able to conveniently increase its imports of raw sugar from Peru through the operation of such a line as we aim to establish. I think also that the rice mills would also be enabled to do a very profitable trade with these countries to the south.

"Furthermore, I have been informed by a leading capitalist of Vancouver that if the government will extend the bounties payable on iron manufactured for home consumption to that of the exportation of these commodities, a Glasgow syndicate is prepared to establish in the province large blast furnaces, the demand for iron and iron manufactures from these countries being very large.

"Dealing with the advantages that would accrue to the Northwest Territories from the operation of our line, it is noticeable that the government has recently erected large cheese factories at Moosejaw and other points, and these Southernly republics being large consumers of cheese, direct business would naturally be at once created. At present they are sending their live cattle from the ranches of the Northwest to Great Britain at an appreciable loss, and are in consequence taking into consideration the establishment of abattoirs and the shipping of the dead meat in cold storage. In this connection I have been urging them to provide for tallow rendering establishments, and also to go in for pig farming on a large scale. The demand for tallow, bacon and hams from the Central American and Mexican republics is a very considerable one, amounting last year to $300,000; while in butter, lard and cheese their imports totalled in the same period to $350,000. At the present time the outlet for Northwest products is confined almost exclusively to the old world markets, which are so far removed by distance that the transportation charges unavoidably eat up a large per centage of the profits. Our projected line would give the greatly desired market nearer at hand, and the result could not be other than of great benefit to the industries of the territories.

"Manitoba would also obtain a profitable outlet for her surplus cereals—flour, barley, bran, oatmeal, etc. Manitoba flour is conceded to be the best manufactured to stand hot climatic conditions, and consequently would be a competitor at an advantage with the California flours, which will not stand extremes of heat so well. I should strongly urge in the event of this line being established that the shippers make up their flour in convenient twenty-five pound tins instead of bags, thereby avoiding the breaking of sacks, destruction by vermin and dampness. By thus preparing their goods for the consumers to the south, Manitobans would undoubtedly command the flour market of these countries—a very important trade in itself.

"Ontario and her agricultural implements and machinery would also derive immense advantage from the opening of these markets to them. The value of agricultural implements shipped from the United States to Mexico and Central America last year, consisting of mowers, plows, reapers, cultivators, and parts of each totalled $125,000. In carriages, carts, street cars and passenger and freight cars, $806,000 was the figure; in cloth manufactures and wearing apparel, $1,270,000 represented the import business; in builders' hardware, saws, tools, locks and hinges, $412,000 told of the extent of the trade; in machinery, fire engines, locomotives, etc., $4,000,000 was the amount; in cotton, the imports into Mexico from Great Britain amounted to $6,498,379, and from the United States an additional $1,043,363, making a total cotton trade into Mexico for the one year alone of $7,541,742. These figures show how many and how profitable are the lines of trade which Ontario might advantageously develop through the operation of the new southern line from the sister province of British Columbia.

"As evidencing the importance of the trade to be done with Mexico and the Central American republics it is interesting to compare the volume of this trade carried on by San Francisco and the trade which Canada has with China, Japan, British Australasia, the British and Spanish West Indies, and British Guina—one which steamship subsidies of $274,666 are paid by the Dominion every year. The total value of exports carried by sea from and to the city of San Francisco, to and from the Pacific coast ports of these republics was last year $11,330,650. Compare this amount with the total value of trade between Canada and the combined countries as above named—$9,065,627, and we find that the city of San Francisco alone has $2,265,023 greater trade on this coast than the Dominion possesses with the combined countries mentioned.

"The question is frequently asked: 'Can Canadians compete in the trade of these republics'? We contend they can and successfully, provided that the same facilities for transportation at a low rate are provided which are available to China and the West Indies, the products of Canada being similar to those shipped from the United States, we itemize as follows: Barley, oats, pease, wheat, flour, bran, oatmeal, malt, biscuits, carriages, carts, coal, coke, cordage, twine, cottons, drugs, dyes, chemicals, medicines, hops, boots and shoes, lime, fish (canned and salted), iron and steel and manufactures of agricultural implements, machines, machinery, sewing machines, asbestos, musical instruments, paper, bacon, hams, butter, cheese, seeds, soap, tallow, brandy, whiskey, wine, starch, and stone manufactures, grindstones, glass, glassware, lumber and manufactures of the same, sleepers, railroad ties, mining props, furniture, doors, sashes, blinds, matches, manufacture of woolens. The principal imports from these countries we itemize as follows: Coffee, cocoa, raw cotton, Indian corn, gums, dye-woods, hides, jute, fruits, bananas, cocoanuts, tobacco leaf, vanilla, Indian rubber, sugar, indigo, Peru balsam, medicinal plants, sarsaparilla, mahogany, cedar, ebony, vegetable ivory, ores, sissal, istle, and spices.

"By the establishment of the line to connect Canada with the Central American and Mexican republics on the Pacific side, not only would the dormant resources of the Western province be given opportunity of development, but the provinces themselves would be materially assisted toward the realization of their natural destiny, while at the same time money would be saved to the Dominion, the cost of transportation being less on the Pacific side than it is possible to make it on the Atlantic sea board to these points, special concessions having been made in regard to the transportation via Vancouver.

"Our plans for the opening up of this new avenue for Canadian trade have been materially furthered through the cordial co-operation of the boards of trade and kindred commercial bodies, each of these that I visited having exhibited marked courtesy to me and manifested the deepest interest in our project for the advancement of Canadian business. In fact at Ottawa, as elsewhere, political differences of opinion appeared to be entirely sunk in the desire to extend and foster the trade of Canada, the members, both government and opposition, from British Columbia and the West, joining cordially in doing all that they could to advance my business with the ministry.

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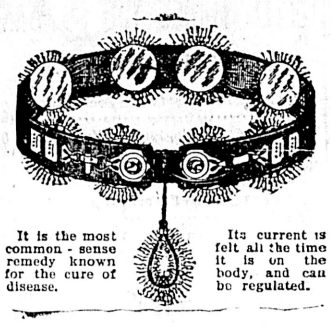

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THE RETAIL MARKETS.

Butter Depreciates in Value—A Cut of From One to Two Cents on Mutton.

A general decline in butter quotations as also on the price of mutton is all that is deserving of more than casual attention in the market this week. The drop in butter is the second reported in a fortnight and was being looked for, but it is probable that prices will not depreciate much more. The cut on mutton from one to two cents a pound was also anticipated in view of the grass fed stock coming in. Cherries are in better supply this week than last, but still command high prices.

FLOUR—Ogilvie's (Hungarian) per bbl	$6.00
Lake of the Woods (Hungarian)	6.00
Victoria XXX	5.25
Lion	5.25
Portland roller	5.25
Salem	5.50
Snowflake	5.50
Premier	5.50
Three Star	5.50
Superfine	5.25
Hungarian (Armstrong)	5.50
XXXX "	5.25
Strong Bakers "	5.00
Graham, per 10 lbs	40
Wheat, per ton	35.00
Buckwheat, per 10 lbs	50
Oats, per ton	25.00@30.00
Barley, per ton	30.00@32.00
Middlings, per ton	20.00@22.00
Bran, per ton	18.00@20.00
Ground feed, per ton	25.00
" " California per ton	25.00@30.00
Corn, whole, per ton	26.00@28.00
" cracked, per ton	28.00@30.00
Cornmeal, per 10 lbs	35
Oatmeal, per 10 lbs	45@50
Rolled oats, per lb	4
Potatoes, new, per lb	4
" sweet, per lb	5
Cabbages, per lb	3@4
Hay, baled, per ton	16 00
Straw, per bale	50@75
Onions, per lb	3@4
Rhubard, per lb	2½
Asparagus, per lb	12½
Cheese, per lb	15
" American, per lb	20
Eggs, Island, per doz	20
" imported, per doz	17
Butter, fresh, per lb	25
" Creamery, per lb	25@27½
" Dairy, per lb	20@25
" B. C. Creamery, per lb	25@27½
Honey (Chilliwack) per lb	25
Hams, American, per lb	17@18
" Canadian, "	16
" Boneless, "	15
" Glasgow beef, per lb	20
Bacon, American, per lb	16@18
" Rolled "	14@16
" Long clear "	10
" Canadian "	14@16
Shoulders, hams, per lb	12½
Lard, per lb	12½
Golden Cottolene, per lb	12½
MEATS—Beef, per lb	5@15
Sides, per lb	7½@9
Veal "	10@15
Mutton, "	5@12½
" " carcase, per lb	9
Pork, fresh, per lb	9@12½
Turkeys, per lb	20@25
Geese, per lb	15@20
Chickens, each	65@75
Pigeons, per brace	50@60
FRUITS—	
Tasmania apples, per lb	10
Lemons, California, per doz	25
Bananas, per doz	35
Cranberries, Eastern, per lb	20
FISH—Salmon, spring, per lb	10@12
Halibut, per lb	10@12
Rock Cod, per lb	8@10
Smoked Salmon, per lb	12@15
Herring, per lb	12@15
Kippered Herring, per lb	12½
Bloaters, per lb	10
Eastern oysters, per tin	75
Oolachans (smoked), per lb	10

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REMOVAL.

Herbert E. A. Robertson, Barrister at Law, Solicitor, Etc., has removed to No. 8 Bastion Square, Burne's Block, opposite Board of Trade Building. ap18

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"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON,"
Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

NOTICE—I, the undersigned, hereby give notice of my intention to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Victoria, at their next sitting, for a transfer of the retail liquor license of the Jubilee Saloon, No 49 [on the south side] Johnson street, city of Victoria, B.C., to Joseph Ball, of the said city of Victoria, the present lessee. Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 8th day of May, 1897.

R. SLOAN, Late Licensee.
F. E. NEUBERGER, Landlord.
By His Attorney-in-Fact,
my9 E. M. JOHNSON

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NOTICE OF SALE BY SHERIFF.

Pursuant to "Execution Act."

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Between Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Co., Plaintiffs, and John Hatswell Pleace, Defendant;

—AND—

Andrew Haslam, Plaintiff, and John H. Pleace and James N. Alger, Defendants;

—AND—

Andrew Haslem, Plaintiff, and John H. Pleace, Defendant.

In obedience to three several writs of fieri facias issued out of the above Supreme Court, to me directed as follows in the above named suit of Dunham, Carrigan & Hayden Co. against John Hatswell Pleace for the sum of $226.57; in the above named suit of Andrew Haslem against John H. Pleace and James N. Algar for the sum of $475 81; in the above named suit of Andrew Haslam against John H. Pleace for the sum of $990, together with interest on the above sums, besides sheriff's fees, poundage and other expenses of these executions, I have seized and will offer for sale by public auction, at the Court House, in the City of Nanaimo, on Saturday, the 22nd day of May, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, all the right, title and interest of the above defendant, John H. Pleace, in the lands below described or sufficient thereof to satisfy the judgment debts and costs in the above named actions:

District.	No. of Lots.	Concise Description of Property.	Estate or Interest.
Rupert	North half of north half of section 1, north half of north half of section 8, township 2	297 acres, more or less	Fee simple.
Nanoose	38	147 acres, more or less	Fee simple.
City of Nanaimo	Lots 64 and 67, Block III, Newcastle Townsite	Town Lots	Undivided one half.
Wellington	West half of Lot 5, Block XV, Map 318 A	Half Town Lot	Fee simple.
Nanoose	Undivided one half of Lot 80	160 acres, more or less	This lot is not registered in the name of John H. Pleace.
City of Nanaimo	Lot 6, Block XIII	Town Lot	Equity of redemption

Where to be Sold.	When to be Sold.
	Saturday, May 22, 1897, at twelve o'clock noon

Date of Registration.	No. of Reg'n.	Judgment Creditor.	Judgment Debtor.	Amount.
30th November, 1896	934	Dunham, Carrigan Hayden Co.	John Hatswell Pleace	$226 57
9th December, 1896	940	Andrew Haslam	John H. Pleace and James N. Algar	$725 45
				$475 81
12th December, 1896	941	Frederick A. Pauline	John H. Pleace	$990 00
21st December, 1896	949	Andrew Haslam	do	$ 87 50
17th February, 1897	981	B. Greening Wire Co., Ltd.	do	$ 86 96
2nd March, 1897	957	Toronto Radiator M'f'g Co.	do	

I hereby certify that [excepting judgments] the following are the only charges appearing registered, or applied for, against that part of Lot 6, Block 13, Nanaimo City, of which John Pleace is the registered owner, viz:

14th October, 1896. Order of the Supreme Court of British Columbia made in the matter of the Estate of John Pleace, deceased [Filed No. 2798]

12th November, 1896. John Hatswell Pleace to Jane Honeyman mortgage in fee [so purporting] to secure payment of the sum of $1500.00 on the 12th November, 1897, and interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum. [Reg. in C. B. Vol. 14, Fol. 566, No. 1826-B]

30th January, 1897, Jane Honeyman to Ernest Temple, assignment and transfer of Mortgage debt and premises above mentioned [Reg. in C.B. Vol. 14, Fol. 580, No. 2018-D.]

7th December, 1896. John H. Pleace to the Hickman Tye Hardware Company Limited mortgage in fee to secure payment of the sum of $2500 00 on demand and interest at the rate of eight per cent. per annum. Reg. in C.B. Vol. 14, Fol. 566, No. 1882-D]

I further certify that the following are the only judgments appearing registered against the real estate of John Hatswell Pleace, viz:

S Y. WOOTTEN,
Registrar-General.

S. DRAKE,
Sheriff County of Nanaimo.

Dated at Nanaimo, 10th May, 1897. my13

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NOTICES.

High School Entrance Examination.

EDUCATION OFFICE.
May 17th, 1897.

The annual examination of applicants for entrance to a High School will be held in the High School Building, Victoria, commencing on Wednesday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

Candidates must be punctual.

S. D. POPE,
my18 Superintendent of Education.

EDUCATION OFFICE,
VICTORIA, 5TH MAY, 1897.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual examination of candidates for certificates of qualification to teach in the Public Schools of the Province will be held as follows, commencing on Friday, July 2nd, 1897, at 8:45 a.m.:—

Victoria.....In South Park School Building.
Vancouver.....In High School Building.
Kamloops.....In Public School Building.

Each applicant must forward a notice, thirty days before the examination, stating the class and grade of certificate for which he will be a candidate, the optional subjects selected, and at which of the above-named places he will attend.

Every notice of intention to be an applicant must be accompanied with satisfactory testimonial of moral character.

Candidates are notified that all of the above requirements must be fulfilled before their applications can be filed.

All candidates for First Class, Grade A, Certificates, including Graduates must attend in Victoria to take the subjects prescribed for July 12th and 13th instants, and to undergo required oral examinations.

S. D. POPE,
my7 Superintendent of Education.

NOTICE TO JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

THE following section, numbered 161, of the "Companies Act, 1897," relative to the issue of a free miner's certificate is published for the information of JOINT STOCK COMPANIES,

JAMES BAKER,
Minister of Mines.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
14th May, 1897.

161. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 4 of the "Mineral Act, 1896," or section 4 of the "Placer Mining Act, 1891," or elsewhere in the said Acts or other the mining laws of the Province, no free miner's certificate shall be issued to a Joint Stock Company for a longer period than one year, and such certificate shall date from the 30th day of June in each year.; and every free miner's certificate held by a Joint Stock Company at the passing of this Act shall be valid and existing until and shall expire on the 30th day of June, 1897. Upon applying to renew any such certificate on or before the said 30th day of June, the Joint Stock Company shall be entitled to a rebate of a proportionate amount of the fee paid for a certificate heretofore issued according to the further time for which it would but for this section have been valid. my19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

Assessed taxes are collectible at the following rates, viz:—

Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is ever twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH.
Assessor. and Collector.
January 2nd 1897. jal2

NOTICE.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Reservation placed on Crown Lands, situated at Frederick Arm, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette, and dated 1st November, 1895, is rescinded, in so far as, but no further than, it relates to a certain parcel of unsurveyed land which may be approximately described as follows:—Commencing at a point on the shore of the north end of Frederick Arm, situated about half a mile west of the entrance to Estero Basin; thence north 40 chains; thence west 40 chains; thence south 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, and thence east, following the shore to the place of commencement containing 160 acres, more or less.

GEO. B. MARTIN,
Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 7th April, 1897. ap

NOTICE.

We hereby give notice that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the city of Victoria, at its next sitting, for a transfer to Alex. Cameron of the license now held by us, to sell wines, beers and spirits by retail, upon the premises known as the Rock Bay Hotel, situated corner of Work and Bridge street.

ALEXR. SIMPSON,
my9 GEORGE BASSETT.

MATERNITY HOME for married ladies, 192 Johnson street. Applicants please apply at the Home, or to Mrs. Higgins, Cadboro Bay road, or Mrs. Flumerfelt, Pemberton road.

A WARNING.

The lark was up to meet the sun
And caroling his lay.
The farmer's boy took down his gun
And at him blazed away.

The busy bee got up at five
And buzzed the meadows o'er.
The farmer's wife went for its hive
And robbed it of its store.

The ant rose up at break of day.
His labors to begin.
The greedy swallow flew that way
And took his antship in.

Oh, bees and birds and ants, be wise.
In proverbs take no stock.
Like me, from sleep refuse to rise
Till half past seven o'clock.

—Boston Courier.

A MOUNTAIN ROSE.

"I reckon it's true that there is at least one romance in every life. From personal knowledge I can only cite my own case, but I'll venture that there was never a good, strong story written that did not find its inspiration in truth."

The author of this oracular deliverance sat with his children and his grandchildren on one of those great, vine shaded verandas that belong to every pretentious country home in Tennessee. He was a giant, slowly going down under the weight of years, yet to live in the past was to recall some of its vigor. Now his eyes brightened, his form straightened, his broad shoulders went back, and his voice was without a quiver.

"You look the picture of her," he said to the little tot on his knee as he stroked her curls. Then it took a request for the story to recall the old man from his dearest memory. "In those days," he began, "there was more family pride than there is now. Perhaps I should say that family prejudices were stronger. We had a caste as well defined as that in India. For one to marry in a 'lower' class was social suicide, and my folks, being of the so called aristocracy, were among the stalwarts of the stalwart in upholding this intolerant creed. I became something of a heretic while in the north completing my education, but it takes time and experience to get rid of a strong hereditary bias.

"We were fairly well off for those times, but I had an ambition to do something more than cumber the world as a mere consumer. This inclination rather troubled the family, but after numerous consultations it was reluctantly admitted that I might superintend the development of some coal and iron interests that we had in a mountainous section of the state and still maintain my social prestige.

"I went at the enterprise in earnest, bringing a lot of men from Pennsylvania that understood the work and founding a primitive village of log cabins in a region as desolate as any encountered by the original pioneers. The miners had their families with them, and all supplies had to be brought 50 miles over the mountain roads. The foreman was a big hearted but shrewd and fearless Scotch-Irishman, who was just to the men and loyal to my interests. His home was looked after by a daughter who had lost her mother years before. The men used to call her the Mountain Rose, for she had all its delicate colorings and was just as fresh and dainty and graceful. Though strong and lithe, because of the manner of her life, she looked the patrician from head to foot and had an innate refinement of character that no culture can supply. Her voice was musical, and to me her simply songs were more charming than the usual efforts of a prima donna. Her education was of her own acquiring and was strangely out of the conventional lines. Her knowledge in some directions only surprised you less than her tact in acquiring information in others. But I would never tire of talking of her.

"After our rough colony had become settled and was progressing finely undesirable characters were attracted to the vicinity. Some men put up a shanty just off my land and stocked it with mountain dew. Numerous rough looking characters came there for the ostensible purpose of hunting and fishing, pitching their tents in our vicinity. I heard stories of gambling, and the men were not as regular at their work as they were before these interruptions. Rosser, the foreman, wanted to adopt heroic measures for getting rid of these pests, but I saw no way but to wait for some breach of the law and then secure the intervention of the authorities.

"Our pay day came every two weeks, and I brought the money from the nearest bank, in a town some distance away, having two good men go with me as a guard. On one occasion Nettie, the foreman's daughter, met us ten miles from the settlement, guiding us in a circuitous route, for she had learned through a wild young girl at the drinking den that there was a plot to waylay and rob us. Nettie had promptly pushed her way through the dangers of the mountain paths to warn us, fearing that delay in securing some other messenger might be fatal to us and at the same time endanger her informant. On the way in I learned more of the girl and her life than I had ever known, and she aroused that interest which is so likely to eventuate in love.

"It was a month later before we were freed from a snow blockade, and the next time I went to the bank it was for double the usual amount. I took more men, and we returned without accident. Even this did not give me the pleasure afforded by the joyous welcome of the girl who had so evidently been in dread while I was gone.

"It was just coming dark when I tossed the canvas bag containing the money to the foreman, for he was the custodian and would pay off at the noon hour next day. I never felt afraid when he was on guard. That night the storm was on us again, and with a veiw to making some arrangements for the better protection of the mines I sent for him. I never thought of the money till he appeared at my door, shortly before 11 o'clock, covered with dripping snow. Then he assured me that the treasure was safe with Nettie, as no one would think of injuring her.

"We had been talking nearly an hour when there was the sound of a muffled cry and a body falling against the door. Rosser reached it with a spring and threw it open, to find a woman stretched across the step. Quickly he lifted her in his strong arms and laid her gently on the rough couch I had pulled before the blazing logs. It was Nettie, unconscious and apparently more dead than alive. Her long, waving hair was loose, disheveled by the wind and wet with snow that melted to glittering drops in the warm glow of the room. Her upturned face, with its perfectly chiseled features, had the unattainable beauty of the artist's dream. Through all that terrible storm she had made her way for half a mile without a wrap or even the slippers in which she sat while awaiting her father's return, for they had been lost in the first few steps. As I grasped her pretty hands to chafe them they tightly clutched the canvas bag to her bosom, and only when the half crazed Rosser forced some brandy down her throat did she relinquish her hold.

"Trying to rise, she said rapidly: 'Hurry, father, hurry. It was Black Joe. He's locked in the strong closet. I brought the money. You said you knew I would protect it. There it is. How Black Joe did curse and swear to kill us both! But I captured him.' And her unnatural laugh told how intense had been the strain upon her nerves.

"We found the villain vainly trying to batter his way out, and in due time a long sentence put him out of the way. He had stolen in upon Nettie shortly after her father left. No threats could induce her to betray the hiding place of the money till she suddenly devised a scheme to keep both it and the robber. Appearing to yield, she told Joe to look behind the chest in the closet which Rosser had built of strong oak planks as a place of safety for his few valuables. He made her hold a candle while he searched. As he leaned over the chest Nettie summoned all her strength and courage, threw the door shut, clapped the hasp over the staple and closed the hook that was attached. This she strengthened with an iron poker, and then, seizing the bag from under the hearthstone, hurried from her prisoner and his blood curdling threats.

"I loved her and told her so. But she was as courageous morally as physically. She was not fitted for my station in life. Wait two years and see if I still wanted her. Her father was going to send her away for a time. I protested, but she went, and I only heard occasionally, through her father, that she was well and happy. One night some 18 months later I was at a pretentious social gathering in Memphis. I was not a society man, but had gone as an old friend of the family. Some one sang, and I thought it the divinest music I had ever heard. As the singer rose from the piano I got a view of a regal beauty, who seemed familiar to me, but I only knew her when that voice I had learned to know so well in the mountains responded to an introduction. It was Nettie, who had been getting her education, and never had woman accomplished more in the same length of time. She was the belle of the aristocratic circle in Memphis, but when I had drawn her apart she laughingly admitted that I had the refusal of her and that she was just the same honest girl she used to be. I protested so vigorously that we cut the probationary period short. And she was your beautiful grandma, little one."—Detroit Free Press.

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Throws Her Five Children Into a Cistern of Water.

BRANTFORD, May 18.—(Special)—Late last night Mrs. Thomas Russell, who is suffering from religious mania, threw her five children into a cistern to drown them. After doing so she rushed across the street to Stimpson's hotel and cried: "God has cursed my children and I have put them in the cistern." Several men rushed to the house and rescued the children from the cistern. The two months' old baby had been under water some minutes, but was rescued with the rest, and the woman was arrested.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connecction with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

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Wanted for the purchase of *Lots 37, 38, and 39* of Suburban *Lot 19*, Victoria City, and the one story frame dwelling situate thereon, being *No. 17 Putnam Street.*

Tenders to be sent to the undersigned not later than 12 o'clock noon, the 26th day of May, 1897. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Terms cash Deeds and registration fees at purchasers expense.

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75 Government Street,
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TENDERS addressed to the undersigned will be received up to Monday, the 24th day of May, 1897, for the purchase of Section 92, Lake District, the property of the late William Johnson. This property fronts on Prospect Lake, and is admirably situated for fishing and shooting purposes. Full information can be obtained by applying to Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, Solicitors for the Executors. my8

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CITY OF VICTORIA.

Court of Revision.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision for the purpose of hearing all complaints against the Assessment for the year 1897, as made by the Assessor of the City of Victoria, will be held at the Council Chamber, City Hall, Victoria, on Tuesday, the 15th day of June, A.D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a.m.

By order.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C.M.C.
Victoria, May 13th, 1897. my13

MUNICIPAL.

Assessment notices have been posted to all parties assessed for land and improvements in the city.

If not delivered at residence, please call at the post office for same.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
City Assessor
Victoria, B.C., May 6th, 1897. my7

VICTORIA WATER WORKS.

Notice is hereby given that from and after this date the use of water for sprinkling or irrigating purposes will not be permitted between the hours of nine in the morning and five in the afternoon.

Persons infringing this regulation are liable to a fine of Fifty Cents for each infraction and to have the water shut off without notice.

JAMES L. RAYMUR,
Water Commissioner.
City Hall, 28th April, 1897. ap29

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THE THERMOMETER.

ESQUIMALT STATION, May 19, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	49°	Mean 56°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	48°		
9 a.m..	60.	Highest 68°	5 a.m.—4 N.
1 p.m..	66°		1 p.m.—Calm.
5 p.m..	62°	Lowest 46°	9 p.m.—4 S.
p.m..	50°		Rain—.00. Cloudy. Sunshine—11 h 30m

Barometer 9 a. m.... {Observed .... 30.235 {Reduced..... 30.180

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BERRYMAN—In this city, Richard Henry Berryman, on the 19th May, aged 13 years and 7 months.

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THE SMELTER SCHEME.

What Mr. Selover Has to Say About the Scheme They Propose.

F. O. Downing, of Portland, and William Selover, of smelter fame, are at present quartered at the Driard. Mr. Downing is one of the gentlemen interested in the proposed erection of a smelter in or near this city, the scheme covering which has been before Victorians for some time. In conversation last evening Mr. Downing stated that he and his people were fully prepared to commence operations as soon as the city council obtained the authority to sign the contract. The works, he said, would be the largest west of Denver and would probably include four stacks. As to the site, there were practically only two available—the outer wharf and Esquimalt, and the latter offering by far the greater facilities. The talk as to the destruction of vegetation in the neighborhood of this kind was all wrong, as in Denver some of the finest farms could be found immediately contiguous to smelters, and the parallel drawn as to the appearance of Butte and what Victoria would be like when the works are in full blast was equally absurd, as the country about the former city was very largely an alkali waste. Mr. Downing and Mr. Selover will remain in Victoria for a day or two.

A FLEET OF NINE.

The N. P. Steamship Company Are Preparing for the Coming Tea Season.

The "Rosalie" Returns to Business Looking Spick and Span—April's Shipping Review.

A lion's share of the Oriental tea trade appears to be what the Northern Pacific Steamship Company is contending for at present, judging from the immense tonnage they have engaged to handle their business. From four regular liners plying in the trans-Pacific trade, they have increased their fleet to nine, including ships of the greatest carrying capacity known in these waters. Two of these specially chartered ships are now on their way, the Mount Lebanon having sailed on the 11th inst., and due to arrive a week from to-morrow, and the Pathan, which sailed on the 18th inst., should arrive about the 3rd of next month. The whole fleet is composed as follows: Victoria, 3,167 tons; Tacoma, 2,549 tons; Olympia, 2,605; Columbia, 2,608 tons (the four regular liners of the fleet). Braemer, 4,000 tons; Mogul, 2,819 tons; Mount Lebanon, 2,410 tons; Pathan, 2,700 tons; and Pelican, 2,300. In all there is a total of 25,258 tons, giving the total capacity of the fleet at approximately 45,000 tons, an amount that would, no doubt, trouble the managers of the Victoria and Sydney to handle on their liner. Of the ships the Mogul is probably the best known among the fleet apart from the Victoria and Tacoma, she having a few years ago made several trips under the Northern Pacific flag. The Columbia has not yet reached Hongkong from England, but she is now being looked for there at any time.

RATES ARE UPWARD.

The monthly freight and shipping report issued by R. P. Rithet & Co. has the following to say about April business: During the period under review very little has transpired that is of special interest and the list of charters is comparatively small. Only a few grain engagements have been made at about previous rates, and while in the lumber section of the market more activity has been shown, there also the influence of the season is evidenced by fewer fixtures than usual. Rates may be quoted steady with an upward tendency in some directions.

RESUMES SERVICE.

Looking like a new boat the Rosalie on her return to business last evening attracted no small amount of attention. All that can be brought about with white lead and linseed oil was accomplished during the steamer's two weeks of idleness, for paint stands resplendent. New carpets have replaced the old ones, new furniture the shabby, and smooth working machinery the rough. Altogether the change of steamers on the route and the relegating to the wall again of the old George E. Starr is an agreeable move.

MARINE NOTES.

A Tacoma dispatch says: A monthly steamship service between Tacoma and Papete, the chief seaport of Tahiti, and other South Sea Islands, has been arranged for by the French government. The purpose is to provide for transportation of correspondence, mail matter, passengers and government supplies between France and her colonies in the South Seas.

Although the passengers from this city counted for little in the occupation of space aboard the Umatilla, going out last evening, the freight she received here for the Bay City nearly filled three-quarters of the ship. Her voyagers from Victoria were A. W. Elston, A. Repsold, Miss Nadin, Miss T. Nadin, and W. Carter.

After taking some naval supplies around to Esquimalt the steamer Maude left for New Westminster yesterday with 300 cases of tin. On her return she will sail for Texada Island. Captain Foot at present expects, owing to the approaching holiday, a large number of passengers.

Captain Bangs, of the schooner Fischer Brothers, seized on the coast a month or so ago for entering a port other than a port of entry, has given his evidence in the case before Collector Milne, having just arrived from Alberni a few days ago.

As the steamer Tees is not yet out of the hands of repairers the Thistle will make one more trip down the coast, leaving this evening.

The Quadra leaves for Nanaimo today to erect a stone beacon in the harbor of the Black Diamond city and on other regular duty.

The steamer Cleveland, an opposition boat to the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., has arrived on the Sound from San Francisco.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer..... from Vancouver.
" City of Kingston. " Port Townsend.
" Rosalie..... " " "
" Umatilla..... " " "
" City of Puebla.... " San Francisco.

CLEARED.

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Cyclists Continue to Come for Saturday's Race Meet at the Bay Track.

In order not to conflict with the lacrosse match to be played at Caledonia park on the afternoon of Monday next, the second meeting at the Victoria driving park will be run on Saturday, May 29.

With four entries from Saanich, two from Duncan, and four from Victoria district in the pony races, the racing should show a decidedly marked improvement on that of a month ago, and as some half dozen of the runners will carry the colors of their owners in the hurdle race, the latter should be one of the most interesting and exciting events of the season. For the five furlong race, open to named horses, Black Beauty, Sir Bevys, Messina, Carlo Blanco and Imperator are doing a special preparation, and Riley, who may be reserved specially for the Challenge Cup, is getting as fit as hands can make him. Black Beauty will be the most dangerous opponent in this race, but Imperatur, who will have the service of a crack gentleman jockey, is a very likely looking customer, and should he win his trial he will find many supporters. For the open five furlong race there is no decided favorite as yet, Jim Murphy Bright Eyes and Ione each having their select coterie of admirers, but whichever wins will have to make the distance in time remarkably close to the track record, if private trials are worthy of any consideration. The old horse Jim Murphy is better than he ever was in his life, and Bright Eyes and Ione are two of the fastest and best bred youngsters that have ever carried silk in the province, and the race between them should be close and exciting. The following is the programme:

1. Plate $30; ponies, 14 hands 2 inches and under, ½ mile.
2. Plate $30; named horses, 5/8 mile.
3. Purse $100; open, all ages, 5/8 mile.
4. Plate $30; ponies, 5/8 mile over 3 hurdles.
5. Plate $100; members' challenge cup, ¾ mile.

THE WHEEL.

CYCLISTS CONTINUE TO COME.

The racing cyclists continue to come for Saturday's meet at the Oak Bay track, opening the British Columbia spring circuit. The fact that all the events will be paced, amateur as well as professional—the novice mile of course excepted—guarantees that there will be no loafing, and if the Tacoma pacing team acquits itself as well as Bartholemew and Essary did last season, spectators may look for a new set of records. It is not known yet how many amateurs will be on hand to contest the various races in their class; entries have been received, however, from at least six cities, and there is a prospect also of Portland and Spokane sending here some of their fliers. In the professional events Geo. Sharick, who last season had a nicer string of winnings than any other pro. in the Northwest, is the last to be heard from. He with Spain, Deeming, Lester, Rucker, Griffith and Davies should make hot finishing the order of the day.

LACROSSE.

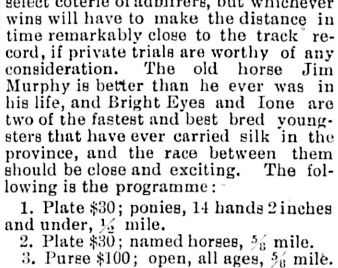
OPENING THE SEASON AT HOME.

Although Victoria has abandoned the customary celebration of the Queen's Birthday this year, the 24th will not be allowed to pass without a goodly number of sporting attractions, not the least important of which is the meeting of the Victoria and Vancouver lacrosse teams in the first home match of the season. The visitors, like Victoria, are playing a number of new men this year, some of the old reliables of days gone by having reached the conclusion that they have won a place on the shelf. In view of this fact the outcome of the contest must remain a guess until it is decided, and herein its attractiveness is vastly increased. Both teams are reported to have put in a legitimate amount of intelligent preparatory work, and the engagement should be well worth witnessing. Caledonia park will be the battlefield. The Victoria team will be chosen from among the following players: C. L. Cullin, George Coldwell, A. E. Belfry, S. Campbell, F. Cullin, S. Norman, R. Campbell, W. Bland, J. Bland, Charles Wilson, W. Stephens, George Snider and F. Schnoter.

CRICKET.

TO REPRESENT THE FIFTH.

The following team has been chosen to represent the Fifth Regiment C. C. in their match against the R. M. A. next Saturday at Beacon Hill: B. H. T. Drake (captain), J. F. Foulkes, R. H. Pooley, B. G. Goward, C. W. Gamble, P. Falconer, T. R. Futcher, R. C. Trimen, A. Maclean, J. A. McTavish and F. A. Futcher. This is the first game of the season between these two rival clubs and is also a league game, and will doubtless prove very exciting as both are putting their strongest elevens in the field. Players are reminded that league games commence at 2:30 p.m. sharp.



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THE LAKE TESLIN TRAIL.

Proposed New Route From the Coast to the Yukon Valley.

John C. Calbreath, for many years resident at Telegraph Creek, on the Stickeen river, B.C., has been directed by the provincial government to explore the new route suggested for a trail to Teslin lake, the source of the Holalinqua river, a tributary of the Lewis branch of the Yukon. There is at present a trail from the mouth of the creek to the lake, but it is a difficult one and roundabout. It goes westward up the Tahtlan river, and then across the divide into the valley of one of the southern branches of the Taku, thence across another divide into the Teslin basin. Mr. Calbreath went through on this trail to the lake last summer, but learned from the Indians that a high bench of almost level, open country extended in a direct line nearly the whole distance from Telegraph Creek to the lake. The ascent from the south to the bench is said to be very easy, and, in fact, the only portion of the proposed route said to be at all difficult is just south of the lake, where there is some marshy ground. If Mr. Calbreath finds the route feasible, he will proceed to expend what is necessary to open it, the amount appropriated for that purpose being limited to $2,000. When this trail is opened, an easy route to the Yukon gold fields will be provided, for from the head of the lake to the mouth of the Yukon there is only one obstacle to navigation, namely, the Five Fingers rapids. The free navigation of the Stickeen river, which flows into the ocean on United States territory, is secured to us by treaty.

Possibly no one is better qualified by personal experience to discuss the navigability of the Stickeen than is Mr. Calbreath's former partner—Mr. John Grant. He spent some twelve years in its immediate vicinity, and had ample opportunity of observing its conditions at all seasons of the year. Speaking from this extensive personal acquaintance, he says the river is navigable all the way from its mouth to Telegraph creek, a distance of about 145 miles, the upper hundred miles being decidedly rapid water. Steamboat operation is possible for some five months in the year, with vessels of a carrying capacity of from 100 to 150 tons. The fuel question does not present any difficulty, as an abundance of wood suitable for firing is obtainable on either side of the stream. Steamers drawing when laden from 3 to 3½ feet of water seldom find any difficulty during the number of months mentioned in utilizing the waterway to which railway projection has recently directed attention, while during at least seven months it is possible to get down the Stickeen by canoes, when the steamers can no longer be operated. It was Mr. Grant's custom during his long residence in the north never to leave Telegraph creek before the 25th of October, while he has been as late as the 8th November in starting from that point on famous in Cassiar's bright days for his winter headquarters in this city.

THE PREFERENTIAL CLAUSE.

Inquiries About It in the Belgian House of Deputies.

BRUSSELS, May 19.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the government was asked several questions as to the attitude of Canada towards Belgian imports. The minister for foreign affairs, M. Favreau, declared the new Canadian tariff was not applicable to Belgian trade. He added that the government was taking care to safeguard Belgian interests.

JUBILEE SOLDIERS.

Winnipeg Dragoons Will Furnish Three of Them.

WINNIPEG, May 19.—(Special)—Major Evans, commanding the Winnipeg troop of Royal Canadian dragoons, received orders from Ottawa to-day to furnish three men for the Jubilee forces in England. Sergt. Instructor McMillan and Private McAlpine have been sent to accompany Major Evans.

ARCHBISHOP MARTINELLI.

Papal Delegate Has Arrived in Washington From Rome.

NEW YORK, May 19.—The papal delegate, Archbishop Martinelli, arrived in Washington last night and proceeded to the rectory of St. Agnes church, where he will be the guest of Rev. Dr. Henry A. Bran. The Archbishop to-day was the guest of honor at a meeting of alumni of the American college.

NAVY WILL HELP.

Warships Will Be Sent to Montreal for the Jubilee.

MONTREAL, May 19.—(Special)—Vice-Admiral Erskine, commanding the North Atlantic squadron, has written to say he will send as many vessels of his squadron as possible to represent the navy on Jubilee day.

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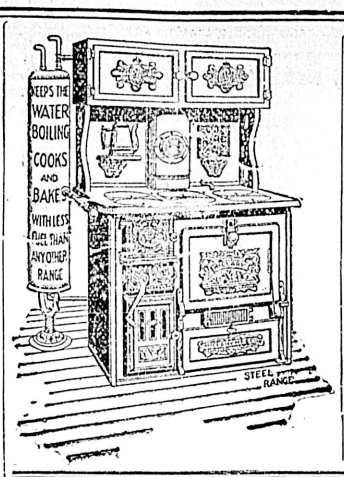

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AIDING THE "ARCADIA."

Warship "Pelican" Helping to Pull Her Off the Rocks.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., May 19.—The wrecking tugs and the British warship Pelican worked at the wreck of the Hamburg-American liner Arcadia, near Cape Ray, to-day, until the weather got too stormy, when the tugs started for Port Au Basques, where they are now safely harbored. The warship is lying off the wreck and the tugs will return to it to-morrow when the weather moderates. Other wrecking ships will join them, and a combined effort will be made, with the help of warships, to pull the Arcadia off the rocks. Thirty local schooners carrying portions of the Arcadia's cargo have landed the goods at Port au Basques, and are now returning for a second load, but at present it is too rough to allow them to approach the wreck. A party of blue jackets from the Pelican are superintending all the salvage and wrecking operations.

KILLED NEAR NELSON.

Two Men Knocked Off a Flat Car by a Projecting Wood Pile.

ROSSLAND, May 19.—A special to the Miner from Nelson states that Bruno Maraino was killed, and R. Ross, C. P. R. employe, injured fatally on the Columbia and Kootenay railway, 20 miles from Nelson this morning. They were knocked off a flat car by a wood pile projecting over the track.

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